

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Work Plan 2022-2023

Agreed by the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on 13th December 2022. *To be agreed, as amended by the committee on 28th February 2023*

Tuesday 26th July 2022

Agenda item	Cabinet Member/s	Officers	External Witnesses
<p>Special Educational Needs and Disabilities - Autism provision and nurture hubs To consider the provision offered for children with autism, within the context of the wider services for SEND in Herefordshire, service developments and any new Government directives, any new Government Guidance, key challenges facing SEND services more broadly and the preparedness of this service for a potential external inspection or review.</p>	<p>Councillor Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p>	
<p>Social Care Recruitment and Retention To consider Social Care Recruitment and Retention.</p>	<p>Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p>	

Children's Social Care Improvement Plan 2022-2024 - Key measures	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People	
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Tuesday 11th October 2022

Agenda item	Cabinet Member/s	Officers	External Witnesses
Inspection of Herefordshire Children's Services To receive the recently published report detailing the findings of the inspection by Ofsted inspectors of Herefordshire Council children's services in July 2022 and to consider the action taken immediately and since the inspection to address some of the concerns raised, and the implications of the Statutory Direction issued by the Secretary of State.	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People	

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<p>Corporate Parenting To consider the Council’s Corporate Parenting Strategy, the plans for the review of the Strategy in 2023 and opportunities for policy review and development of the strategy with any recommendations to the Cabinet.</p> <p>www.herefordshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/21412/achieving-the-best-for-our-children-herefordshire-s-corporate-parenting-strategy-2020-23</p> <p><i>Reports deadline: 2nd December 2022</i></p>	<p>Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p>	<p>Liz Murphy - Independent Chair of Herefordshire Safeguarding Partnership</p>
<p>Children’s Services Improvement Plan To consider the revised Draft Children’s Services Improvement Plan.</p> <p><i>Reports deadline: 2nd December 2022</i></p>	<p>Children’s Services Improvement Plan – Implementation Review Update (Key Measures)</p>	<p>Children’s Services Improvement Plan – Implementation Review Update (Key Measures)</p>	<p>Children’s Services Improvement Plan – Implementation Review Update (Key Measures)</p>
<p>Herefordshire Safeguarding Children’s Partnership To consider the Annual Report of the Herefordshire Safeguarding Children’s Partnership (MASA).</p> <p><i>Reports deadline: 2nd December 2022</i></p>	<p>Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p>	<p>Liz Murphy - Independent Chair of Herefordshire Safeguarding Partnership</p>

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Tuesday 28th February 2023

Agenda item	Cabinet Member/s	Officers	External Witnesses
<p>SEND Strategy</p> <p>To consider Herefordshire Council Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Strategy.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reports deadline: 2 February 2022</i></p>	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p> <p>Liz Farr - Service Director, Education, Skills and Learning</p> <p>Les Knight – Head of Additional Needs</p>	<p>The National Autistic Society (NAS)</p> <p>https://nas- herefordshire.co. uk/</p>
SEND – Results of LGA Peer Review & preparedness for a SEND inspection	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director,	The National Autistic Society (NAS)

<p>To consider Results of LGA Peer Review & preparedness for a inspection Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reports deadline: 2 February 2022</i></p>		<p>Children and Young People</p> <p>Knight, Les – Head of Additional Needs</p>	<p>https://nas-herefordshire.co.uk/</p>
<p>Herefordshire Council - Children's Wellbeing Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) Annual Report 2021/2022 To consider the Herefordshire Council - Children's Wellbeing Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) Annual Report 2021/2022.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reports deadline: 2 February 2022</i></p>	<p>Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p> <p>Head of Service Safeguarding and Review, Children and Young People</p>	<p>Liz Murphy - Independent Chair of Herefordshire Safeguarding Partnership</p>
<p>Children's Improvement Plan Transformation Funding To consider Children's Improvement Plan Transformation Funding.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reports deadline: 2 February 2022</i></p>	<p>Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p>	
<p>Children's Services Improvement Plan – Implementation Review Update (Key Measures)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reports deadline: 2 February 2022</i></p>	<p>Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People</p>	

June 2023			
Provisional Agenda Items			
Improvement Plan key measure dashboard scrutiny of the data by each of the 10 Ofsted improvement areas to ascertain progress of the improvement plan against objectives	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People	
Partner engagement process: a. Engagement model b. Key partners targeted c. Feedback from them on progress	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People	
August 2023			
Provisional Agenda Items			
SEND update on the strategy progress	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People	
Youth Justice annual report	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director, Children and Young People	
In depth scrutiny of progress on one of the Ofsted areas of improvement: Health pathways	Diana Toynbee – Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Freeman, Darryl - Corporate Director,	

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Work for the current committee to complete before end of the business year and not in public meetings:

- Consider the answers to the CYPSC questions on the Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (HSCP) Annual Report feedback from the Independent Scrutineer to produce a committee report with any recommendations for Cabinet to consider
- Respond to the summary Child on Child CSO report independent review with any comment
- Work with officers to develop and implement before the end of the current business year, a CYPSC member portal of trainings, reports, glossary of terms, a services organogram and other important information agreed as being necessary as an essential resource for members of the new CYPSC committee to get up to steam on committee work and be equipped to scrutinise children's services effectively

Reserve Items

1. Fostering (and Adoption) Services
2. Family Group Conferences/Family Advocacy Services
3. Signs of Safety
4. Adoption Central England (ACE) report
5. Pastoral Care in Schools.
6. All Ages Commissioning - To consider Herefordshire Council all ages social care commissioning strategy.
7. Placement Sufficiency - To consider the Council's strategies for ensuring sufficient accommodation within the authority's area which meets the needs of children that the local authority are looking after.

8. Herefordshire Council Strategy to Safely Reduce Numbers of Children in Care. To consider the Council's strategy to safely reduce the number of children in care.
9. Proposed Education Legislation (the Education White Paper) - To consider the planned legislative proposals for Education and its impact on local authorities roles in supporting education, multi-academy trusts, school placements planning and schools improvement. MOVED TO LONG LIST from 22nd Nov 2022.
10. Electively Home Educated Children/Children Missing Education. - To consider electively home educated children and children missing education in Herefordshire. MOVED TO LONG LIST from 10th January 2023.
11. Child Exploitation. - To consider Herefordshire Child Exploitation and prevention strategies.